Directors, which has also representatives from Government Departments and the RBI, and also review half-yearly by the Central Board of Directors of RBI to ensure that the objectives for which NABARD has been established are being achieved.

Identification of agricultural products for export

2720. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether items of agricultural products for export-purposes have been identified;

(b) whether a proposal for posting agricultural experts in Indian Embassies is under consideration; and

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Doesn't arise.

Smuggling of Indian Currency into Pakistan

2721. SHRI J. P. GOYAL :
SHRI RAM AWADESH SINGH :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been substantial increase in the smuggling of Indian currency into Pakistan;

(b) if so, what are the comparative figures of the Indian currency seized at the Indo-Pak border during 1984, 1985 and 1986 (till date) and what is the estimated amount of Indian currency considered to have been smuggled across the border during these years; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to check the smuggling of Indian currency into Pakistan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) and (b) Reports received by the Government and seizures made indicate that the Indian currency is one of the items sensitive to smuggling across the Indo-Pak border. Smuggling being a clandestine activity, does not, by its very nature, lend itself to any estimate. However, the figures of seizures of Indian currency on the Indo-Pak border region during the years 1984, 1985 and 1986 (upto September) as given below do not reveal any substantial increase smuggling of Indian currency.

Year	Amount of Indian Currency seized (Rs. in lakhs)
1984	5.26
1985	3.87
1986 (Upto September)	0.65

(c) The anti-smuggling drive has been intensified on the Indo-Pak region. The Preventive and Intelligence machinery of the Customs Department in the region remains vigilant against smuggling activities in general, including smuggling of Indian currency. The trends in smuggling and seizures made are kept under constant review for taking appropriate remedial measures in close co-ordination with the concerned Central and State Government agencies deployed in the region.

Disposal of residual assets by Bombay Dyeing

2722. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Bombay Dyeing submitted a proposal to the Finance Ministry in December, 1985 for disposal of residual asset of DM plant valued at $ 50,000/-;

(b) if so, what action Government have taken thereon;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Bombay Dyeing offered these assets for sale for a minimum bid of one million dollars; and

(d) if so, whether the sale of residual assets has since taken place and what is the amount of foreign exchange repatriated to India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) Yes.

Sir. In a reference submitted, the Company has sought the advice of the Government for settling the issue relating to the disposal of residual assets of DMT plant which could not be imported.

(b) The matter is under consideration.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected.

Diversion of funds by the Cotton Mill Industry

2723. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that various Government studies have brought out the fact that cotton mill industry had diverted its funds to more lucrative lines of business;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Indian Cotton Mills Federation which is an apex body of Cotton Mill Industry has published a report to prove that there is no such diversion of funds;

(c) if so, whether the Government had studied the financial analysis and report published by Indian Cotton Mill Federation; and

(d) if so, what is the reaction of the Government thereto ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR) : (a) Government are not aware of any such specific finding in any study conducted by Government.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(b) No. Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Issue of debentures by Orkay Silk Mills Limited

2724. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA :
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :
CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Orkay Silk Mills Limited has recently issued convertible debentures of Rs. 24 crores;

(b) what is the number of debentures and the value thereof which were issued to each of the Directors and their relatives as rights;

(c) how much was accepted and subscribed by them;

(d) how much was renounced by them;

(e) on renunciation, what was the rate of premium and the profit amount collected by each of the Directors and their relatives;

(f) whether Government have collected any income-tax on the enormous profits made by the Directors and their relatives; and

(g) if so, what is the amount so collected or likely to be collected as advance taxes ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) Yes, Sir. Orkay Silk Mills offered 20 lakh, 13.5% secured, fully convertible debentures of face value of Rs. 120 each for cash at par for an aggregate value of Rs. 24 crores on rights basis to the company's existing shareholders in proportion of 1 debenture for every 8 equity shares held by shareholders whose names appeared on the register of members as on 16th May, 1986, against the approval given by the Controller of Capital Issues. As per the policy, the company was also permitted to retain over-subscription to the extent of 25% of the issued capital i.e. Rs. 6 crores since the issue was oversubscribed. Under the Stock Option Scheme, the company was also allowed to offer convertible debentures worth Rs. 1.5 crores to their employees including working directors.

(b) to (d) The Directors and their relatives did not renounce the offers made by them in individual capacities but the shares held by them in the capacity as nominee and representative were renounced. The details of the number of debentures offered and subscribed by the Directors and their relatives in their individual capacity are given in the enclosed Statement I (*See* below). The debentures offered, subscribed and renounced by the Directors and their relatives in their capacity as representative are given in the enclosed Statement II (*See* below).

(e) On renunciation the rate of premium per debenture ranged between Rs. 385 and Rs. 550.

(f) and (g) The information is being collected.